# Daily Digest

# Senate

#### Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1179–1195, and S. Res. 168–169.

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Measures Reported:

S. 407, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2009, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–24)

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#### Measures Passed:

Commending the University of Washington Women's Softball: Senate agreed to S. Res. 168, commending the University of Washington women's softball team for winning the 2009 NCAA Women's College World Series.

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#### Measures Considered:

Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1256, to protect the public health by providing the Food and Drug Administration with certain authority to regulate tobacco products, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make certain modifications in the Thrift Savings Plan, the Civil Service Retirement System, and the Federal Employees' Retirement System, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Dodd Amendment No. 1247, in the nature of a substitute. Pages \$6170-71

Burr/Hagan Amendment No. 1246 (to Amendment No. 1247), in the nature of a substitute.

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Schumer (for Lieberman) Amendment No. 1256 (to Amendment No. 1247), to modify provisions relating to Federal employees retirement. Page S6170

A motion was entered to close further debate on Dodd Amendment No. 1247, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-

consent agreement of Thursday, June 4, 2009, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 8, 2009. Page S6171

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Monday, June 8, 2009.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the bill at approximately 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 8, 2009; provided further, that the filing deadline for first-degree amendments be 3 p.m., on Monday June 9, 2009, and the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be 4:30 p.m., on Monday, June 9, 2009.

Travel Promotion Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to report S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States, on Friday, June 5, 2009, from 10 a.m. to noon.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

David Heyman, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Julia Akins Clark, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years.

Ernest W. Dubester, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years expiring July 29, 2012.

Preet Bharara, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York for the term of four years.

Tristram J. Coffin, of Vermont, to be United States Attorney for the District of Vermont for the term of four years.

Jenny A. Durkan, of Washington, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington for the term of four years.

Paul Joseph Fishman, of New Jersey, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey for the term of four years.

B. Todd Jones, of Minnesota, to be United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years.

John P. Kacavas, of New Hampshire, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

Joyce White Vance, of Alabama, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama for the term of four years.

Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. 1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:31 a.m. and adjourned at 6:32 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6229.)

#### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

## REGULATORY REFORM AND DERIVATIVES MARKETS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine regulatory reform and derivatives markets, after receiving testimony from Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Lynn A. Stout, University of California Los Angeles School of Law; Mark Lenczowski, JPMorgan Chase and Co., Washington, D.C.; David Dines, Cargill Risk Manage-

ment, Hopkins, Minnesota; Michael W. Masters, Masters Capital Management, LLC, Atlanta, Georgia; Daniel A. Driscoll, National Futures Association, Chicago, Illinois; and Richard Bookstaber, New York, New York.

### APPROPRIATIONS: FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded open and closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, after receiving testimony from Robert S. Mueller III, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Department of the Air Force, after receiving testimony from Michael B. Donley, Secretary, and General Norton A. Schwartz, Chief of Staff, both of the United States Air Force, Department of Defense.

## APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Department of Agriculture, after receiving testimony from Tom Vilsack, Secretary, Kathleen Merrigan, Deputy Secretary, Joseph Glauber, Chief Economist, and Scott Steele, Budget Officer, all of the Department of Agriculture.

### APPROPRIATIONS: LIBRARY OF CONGRESS AND OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Library of Congress and the Open World Leadership Center, after receiving testimony from James H. Billington, Librarian of Congress, and John O'Keefe, Executive Director, Open World Leadership Center, both of the Library of Congress.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY BUDGET

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for the Department of the Navy, after receiving testimony from Raymond E. Mabus, Jr., Secretary of the Navy, Admiral Gary Roughhead, USN, Chief of Naval Operations, and General James